

Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A cart for safely transporting and storing a single, large, vertically-oriented, cylindrically-shaped canister having a horizontally-oriented base, wherein the vertical and horizontal orientations of the canister and its base, respectively, are constantly maintained throughout the transporting and storing of the canister, said cart comprising:

a stable base comprising;

a bottom platform, and

four wheels operatively connected by respective four wheel brackets to said stable base and configured to support the weight of the canister, the wheel brackets are rigidly positioned on the stable base, wherein said stable base receives and supports the horizontally-oriented base of the canister at a low center of gravity in which the bottom of the base of the canister is below the top of the wheels;

two U shaped side rails forming four legs extending upwardly from and rigidly secured to said stable base, each leg being positioned above a respective one of said wheels; and

a circumferential metal band removably attached to said side rails and configured as a C-clamp to encircle and secure from movement the canister, within said cart, said band at an elevation above the horizontally-oriented base of the canister.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The cart of claim 1, wherein each of said two side rails comprises a first tab, said band comprising two second tabs each adapted to engage a respective one of said first tabs, fastening means for rigidly fastening together each first tab with its respective second tab, said first and second tabs being of sufficient dimension to provide a respective gap between side rail and canister to avoid pinching an operator's fingers.

4. (Previously Presented) The cart of claim 1, wherein said side rails comprise stainless steel tubing.

5. (Previously Presented) The cart of claim 1, wherein said bottom platform comprises stainless steel plate.

6. (Previously Presented) The cart of claim 1, wherein said wheels are casters.

7. (Cancelled)

8.-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The cart of claim 1 wherein said stable base has vertical sidewalls extending from said bottom platform to receive the bottom of the canister and prevent sideways movement of the canister.